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5 A smart card personalization system provides an interface to smart card
personalization stations and to external computing or data resources which normally are
not available directly to personalization station. A card issuer management systems
prepares card objects and assigns a unique card object identifier. A smart card
personalization server receives the card objects from the card issuer management
system. A smart card personalization controller receives the unique card object
identifiers and routes the card object identifiers to waiting personalization stations. The
10 personalization stations use the card object identifier to request data and services from
the smart card personalization server in order to personalize the smart card. The
services provided by the smart card personalization server include data services,
security services and support services. The smart card personalization server supports
multiple active personalization station sessions.

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